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SUBJ: SITE OF IWY WORLD CONFERENCE

REF USUN 1175

1. EFFORTS TO CHANGE SITE OF IWY CONFERENCE COULD HAVE ADVERSE EFFECTS ON U S COLOMBIAN RELATIONS.

2. THE EXPECTED WINNER OF THIS MONTH'S PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS IN COLOMBIA, ALFONSO LOPEZ MICHELSSEN, IN A MAJOR CAMPAIGN SPEECH APR 6, TOLD A GATHERING OF COLOMBIAN WOMEN THAT THE CONSECRATION OF HIS PROGRAM OF PROVIDING FULL RIGHTS TO WOMEN WOULD BE THE CONVENING IN BOGOTA OF THE WORLD CONFERENCE OF WOMEN. U S PARTICIPIATION IN ANY EFFORT TO SHIFT THE SITE OF THE MTG FROM BOGOTA WOULD INJECT A DISCORDANT ELEMENT INTO RELATIONS WITH THE NEW GOC ADMINISTRATION. THE OTHER MAJOR CANDIDATE HAS NOT MADE AN ISSUE OF THE IWY CONFERENCE; IT IS MOST LIKELY, HOWEVER THAT HE TOO WOULD BE OFFENDED BY A CHANGE OF SITE.

3. EMB IS UNAWARE OF THE EXTENT TO WHICH SRA VAZQUEZ DE BORBON WOULD BE INVOLVED IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE IWY CONFERENCE. WE CAN, HOWEVER ASSURE USUN THAT GOC OFFICIALS USUALLY CHARGED WITH THIS RESPONSIBILITY ARE COMPETENT AND

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KNOWLEDGEABLE. RECENT MTG OF HEMISPHERIC FONMINS IN BOGOTA WAS

EXCELLENT INDICATION OF GOC COMPETENCE IN CONFERENCE MANAGEMENT.

4. BOGOTA'S ALTITUDE (8,600 FEET) IS NOT SO GREAT AS TO PROVIDE
DIFFICULTIES EXCEPT TO THE EXTREMELY ELDERLY AND/OR DEBILITATED.
THOUSANDS OF INTERNATIONAL VISITORS, BOTH OFFICIAL AND UNOFFICIAL,
VISIT THE CITY EVERY YEAR WITH NO ILL EFFECTS.

5. IN VIEW OF THE IMPORTANCE LOPEZ ATTACHES TO THE CONFERENCE,
RECOMMEND NEITHER DEPARTMENT NOR USUN TAKE ANY INITIATIVES
IN THIS MATTER WITHOUT CONSULTING EMB BOGOTA. VAKY

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